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THE HON. SRI M. BHAKTAVATSALAM : (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) It is not in the interest of the public to divulge the information.

SRI S. K. SAMBANDHAN : What is the public interest involved in the public gifts made by other countries? These are after all gifts by foreign countries. There is no secret weapon or any such thing involved in this.

THE HON. SRI M. BHAKTAVATSALAM : Sir, if I can explain to the hon. Member the public interest involved in this, I will be, so to say, giving out the whole thing which I am not expected to do.

SRI S. K. SAMBANDHAN : My point, Sir, is with regard to the public interest involved in it. There cannot be any public interest in these gifts and I am not able to understand the Hon. the Chief Minister's reply.

THE HON. SRI M. BHAKTAVATSALAM. Sir, if the hon. Member is not able to understand it, I have not the capacity to make him understand.

Gazetted Officers in the Education Department

*165 Q.—SRI M. SANKARALINGAM PILLAI : Will the Hon. the Chief Minister be pleased to state—

(a) the number of Gazetted Officers in the Education Department whose services have not been regularised even though there are permanent vacancies ; and

(b) the reasons therefor ?

THE HON. SRI M. BHAKTAVATSALAM : (a) 76.

(b) The question of regularisation of the temporary appointment of 65 officers in the category of District Educational Officers, Headmasters, etc., has since been taken up with the Madras Public Service Commission and their services will be regularised soon. The temporary appointments of the remaining officers will also be regularised in due course along with the other officers in the Madras Educational Service.

திரு. எம். சங்கரலிங்கம் பிள்ளை : இவர்களில் அரசிதழ் பதிவு பெற்ற அதிகாரிகளாக ஆவதற்கு தகுதி பெற்ற அதிகாரிகள் எத்தனை பேர் இருக்கிறார்கள்?

கனம் திரு. எம். பக்தவத்சலம் : அந்த விவரங்கள் இப்போது என்னிடம் இல்லை.